



FORM PTO/A and B (modified PTO/SB/08)

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

Sheet 1 of 1

APPLICATION NO.: 10/543,050

ATTY. DOCKET NO.: S1459.70081US00

FILING DATE: July 21, 2005

CONFIRMATION NO.: 2592

APPLICANT: Kenichi Ishibashi et al.

GROUP ART UNIT: 2822

EXAMINER: C.L. Novacek

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials #	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication or Issue of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY
		Number	Kind Code		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials #	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Translation (Y/N)
		Office/ Country	Number	Kind Code			
		JP	2001-247314	A	Ricoh Co Ltd	09-11-2001	Y
		JP	2001-247546	A	Natl Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology Meti	09-11-2001	Y
		JP	2001-357896	A	Fuji Photo Film Co Ltd	12-26-2001	Y
		JP	2002-231942	A	Toshiba Corp	08-16-2002	Y
		JP	2002-298646	A	Sony Corp	10-11-2002	Y

OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials #	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	Translation (Y/N)

EXAMINER:

DATE CONSIDERED:

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.

*a copy of this reference is not provided as it was previously cited by or submitted to the office in a prior application, Serial No. __, filed __, and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional applications).

[NOTE – No copies of U.S. patents, published U.S. patent applications, or pending, unpublished patent applications stored in the USPTO's Image File Wrapper (IFW) system, are included. See 37 CFR §1.98 and 1287OG163. Copies of all other patent(s), publication(s), unpublished, pending U.S. patent applications, or other information listed are provided as required by 37 CFR §1.98 unless 1) such copies were provided in an IDS in an earlier application that complies with 37 CFR §1.98, and 2) the earlier application is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120.]